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SUBJECT: UNDP - ROM-3, PROJECT MANAGER

FOR UNESCO

1. DURING RECENT VISIT TO BUCHAREST, STATE DEPT OFFICER IN CHARGE OF UNDP AFFAIRS WAS INFORMED BY OFFICIALS OF GOR AND POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE OF THEIR DESIRE FOR APPOINTMENT BY UNESCO OF US CITIZEN KEKI IRANI AS NEW MANAGER UNDP PROJECT ROM-3.

2. AFORESAID OFFICIALS SAID IRANI, WHO HAD BEEN CONNECTED WITH PROJECT FOR ONE AND A HALF YEARS IN EXPERT CAPACITY, WAS UNABLE TO SPEND SOLID PERIOD OF 12 TO 18 MONTHS ON PROJECT BUT WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR SEVERAL SHORTER PERIODS. IRANI REPORTEDLY FELT SUCH ARRANGEMENT WOULD, IN ANY EVENT BE MORE EFFICIENT IN VIEW OF ADVANCED STAGE OF PROJECT. GOR AND POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE OFFICIALS AGREED AND ACCEPTED IRANI NOMINATION.

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3. IRANI NOMINATION REPORTEDLY WITHDRAWN BY UNESCO, HOWEVER, BECAUSE LATTER UNWILLING TO AGREE TO PROJECT MANAGER'S INTERMITTENT PRESENCE AT PROJECT. THIS IN ACCORD WITH INFO PROVIDED BY IRANI, WHO HAS TOLD HEW THAT HIS WITHDRAWAL LETTER DICTATED BY UNESCO.

4. UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IN BUCHAREST (ROTIVAL) ALSO TOLD DEPARTMENT OFFICER HE FAVORED IRANI APPOINTMENT AND INTENDED TO TAKE UP MATTER WITH UNESCO DURING VISIT THERE EARLY IN AUGUST ENROUTE TO NEW ASSIGNMENT IN NIGER.

5. DEPARTMENT INFORMED THAT US CITIZEN MICHAEL PEDELTY NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY UNESCO AS NOMINEE FOR SUBJECT POST BUT NOT CLEAR WHETHER HIS NAME YET PROPOSED TO GOR.

6. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE STATUS OF MATTER AND ADVISE WHETHER REACTIVATION OF IRANI CANDIDACY, AS APPARENTLY DESIRED BY ALL PARTIES EXCEPT UNESCO, IS STILL PRACTICAL. ROGERS

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